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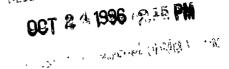
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October 24, 1996

Mr. Vernon A. Williams, Secretary Surface Transportation Board Twelfth Street & Constitution Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20423



Re:

Burlington Northern Railroad Company Leveraged Lease Locomotive Financing BNRR 1996-D

Dear Mr. Williams:

I am enclosing for recording pursuant to Section 11301 of Title 49 of the United States Code, three original copies of the document described below. As one of the attorneys representing the Lessee in this transaction, I have knowledge of the matters described in this letter.

The enclosed document is as follows:

Memorandum of Lease Assignment (BNRR 1996-D), dated October 25, 1996, between Bellingham Locomotive Lease Co., Ltd., as lessor (the "Lessor" or "Assignor"), Burlington Northern Railroad Company, as lessee (the "Lessee"), and First Security Bank, National Association, as indenture trustee (the "Indenture Trustee" or the "Assignee").

The names and addresses of the parties to the enclosed document are as follows:

Lessor and Assignor:

Bellingham Locomotive Lease Co., Ltd.

Caledonian House

Mary Street P.O. Box 1043 George Town

Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands

Lessee:

Burlington Northern Railroad Company

2650 Lou Menk Drive

Second Floor

Forth Worth, Texas 76131

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Indenture Trustee and Assignee:

First Security Bank, National Association, as Indenture Trustee
79 South Main Street
Salt Lake City, Utah 84111

The description of the equipment covered as of the date hereof by the aforesaid Memorandum of Lease Assignment is as set forth on Exhibit A hereto.

A fee of twenty-two dollars (\$22.00) is enclosed. Please time and date stamp the enclosed copies of the enclosed document along with the extra copy of this letter as proof of filing and recordation of the enclosed document and return the original and any extra copies of such document and this letter not needed by the Board for recordation to:

Karl T. Williams, Esq. Chapman and Cutler 111 West Monroe Chicago, Illinois 60603

A short summary of the document to appear in the index follows:

#### MEMORANDUM OF LEASE ASSIGNMENT:

Memorandum of Lease Assignment (BNRR 1996-D) between Bellingham Locomotive Lease Co., Ltd., as Lessor, Caledonian House, Mary Street, P.O. Box 1043, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, Burlington Northern Railroad Company, as Lessee, 2650 Lou Menk Drive, Second Floor, Fort Worth, Texas 76131, and First Security Bank, National Association, as Indenture Trustee, 79 South Main Street, Salt Lake City, Utah 84111, dated October 25, 1996, covering diesel electric locomotives bearing the road numbers listed in the Schedule thereto. This document relates to the Memorandum of Lease Agreement, dated October 25, 1996, the Memorandum of Trust Indenture and Security Agreement, dated October 25, 1996, the Memorandum of Trust Indenture Supplement No. 1, dated October 25, 1996 and the Memorandum of Lease Supplement No. 1, dated October 25, 1996, which were recorded with the Surface Transportation Board on October 34, 1996 at 2:15 p.m. under recordation numbers 20325, 20

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If you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned (312-845-3892).

Sincerely,

CHAPMAN AND CUTLER

Karl T Williams

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## EXHIBIT A

## UNITS

EQUIPMENT	QUANTITY	ROAD NUMBERS
General Electric Company Model Dash 9-44CW Diesel Electric Locomotives	21	BNSF 960, BNSF 976 through BNSF 995, inclusive

# MEMORANDUM OF LEASE ASSIGNMENT (BNRR 1996-D)

Memorandum of Lease Assignment, made and entered into on October 25, 1996, by and between Bellingham Locomotive Lease Co., Ltd., a Cayman Islands corporation ("Lessor"), Burlington Northern Railroad Company, a Delaware corporation ("Lessee"), and First Security Bank, National Association, a national banking association, as indenture trustee ("Indenture Trustee").

#### WITNESSETH:

- 1. The Lessor and Lessee have entered into that certain Lease Agreement (BNRR 1996-D) (the "Lease Agreement"), dated as of October 25, 1996, and Lease Supplement No. 1 (the "Lease Supplement") thereto, dated as of October 25, 1996, covering certain locomotives bearing road numbers as listed on Exhibit A attached hereto.
- 2. Memoranda of said Lease Agreement and of said Lease Supplement were recorded with the Surface Transportation Board on October 14, 1996 at 2:15 pm. under recordation numbers 20325 and 20325 respectively, pursuant to Section 11301 of Title 49 of the United States Code.
- 3. The undersigned have entered into that certain Trust Indenture and Security Agreement (BNRR 1996-D) (the "Indenture"), dated as of October 25, 1996, and Trust Indenture Supplement No. 1 (the "Indenture Supplement") thereto, dated as of October 25, 1996, pursuant to which Lessor has assigned the aforesaid Lease Agreement, the aforesaid Lease Supplement, and the rents and other proceeds therefrom (with certain exceptions) to the Indenture Trustee.
- 4. Memoranda of said Indenture and of said Indenture Supplement were recorded with the Surface Transportation Board on October 1, 1996 at 2:15 m. under recordation numbers 2335-A and 2335-C respectively, pursuant to Section 11301 of Title 49 of the United States Code.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have each caused this Memorandum of Lease Assignment to be duly executed by their respective officers duly authorized on the date and year first above written.

BELLINGHAM LOCOMOTIVE LEASE CO., LTD. Name: F. Jan Blaustein Title: President Executed on this 21 day of October, 1996. **BURLINGTON NORTHERN RAILROAD COMPANY** By\_\_\_ Name: Paul J. Weyandt Title: Assistant Vice President-Finance and Assistant Treasurer Executed on this \_\_\_\_ day of October, 1996. FIRST SECURITY BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION Name: Brett R. King Title: Assistant Vice President Executed on this \_\_\_\_ day of October, 1996.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have each caused this Memorandum of Lease Assignment to be duly executed by their respective officers duly authorized on the date and year first above written.

Bv
By
Executed on this day of October, 1996.
BURLINGTON NORTHERN RAILROAD COMPANY
By Pall J. Weyandt
Name: Paul J. Wevandt
Title: Assistant Vice President-Finance
and Assistant Treasurer
Executed on this 17th day of October, 1996.
FIRST SECURITY BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
Ву
Name: Brett R. King
Title: Assistant Vice President

Executed on this \_\_\_\_ day of October, 1996.

BELLINGHAM LOCOMOTIVE LEASE CO., LTD.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have each caused this Memorandum of Lease Assignment to be duly executed by their respective officers duly authorized on the date and year first above written.

By
Name: F. Jan Blaustein
Title: President
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Executed on this day of October, 1996.
BURLINGTON NORTHERN RAILROAD COMPANY
By
Name: Paul J. Weyandt
Title: Assistant Vice President-Finance
and Assistant Treasurer
Executed on this day of October, 1996.
FIRST SECURITY BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
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By /////
Name: Brett R. King
Title: Assistant Vice President
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Executed on this 14 day of October, 1996.

BELLINGHAM LOCOMOTIVE LEASE CO., LTD.

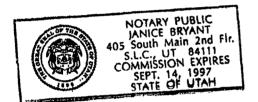
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M. G. BELKIN COMM. • 1031689 Notary Public — California SAN FRANCISCO COUNTY My Comm. Expires JUL 3, 1998	Name: M.G. Belkin Notary Public My Commission Expires: Residing in
STATE OF	
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	Name:
	Notary Public
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"OFFICIAL SEAL" BONNIE REMLEY Notary Public, State of Illinois My Commission Expires Dec 12, 1999	Name: Notary Public My Commission Expires: 12-12-99 Residing in Lefaurhu, 21 - Cook Gt

STATE OF UTAH )
) SS.:
COUNTY OF <u>SALT LAKE</u> )

On this, the 18th day of OCTOBER, 1996, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Brett R. King, who being by me duly sworn, says that he is the Assistant Vice President of FIRST SECURITY BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, that said instrument was signed on October 12, 1996 on behalf of said association by authority of its Board of Directors, and he acknowledged that the execution of the foregoing instrument was the free act and deed of said association.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal on the date above mentioned.



Name: Janice Bryant Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

Residing in KAYSUILE UTAH

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